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TO : Executive

FROM : Assistant Director for Scientific Intelligence

SUBJECT : Operating Relationships for Coordination of Activities of OSI and OSO

REFERENCE : Enclosure IV to Memo from AD/OSI to DCI dated 29 September 1949 on Subject

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1. The reference memo analysed the policy and functions of OSO in the field of scientific and technical intelligence and pointed out serious inadequacies. It was recommended in part that:

"OSO be directed to collect scientific and technical information in conformity with the importance of that information to the national security and to conduct its operations in accordance with integrated priorities determined jointly by OSI and OSO."

2. In addition certain other points concerning the relationship of OSI to OSO were briefly discussed and general operational recommendations made. The objective of these recommendations was to establish the policies governing the relation of OSI and OSO as follows. Within the area of scientific and technical intelligence OSI should:

- a. Have responsibility for coordination of requirements and assessment of priorities for collection.
- b. Participate in the planning, initiation and review of projects for collection, the scientific and technical objectives of all projects being subject to final approval by the AD/OSI or his designated representative.

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- a. Receive directly all information collected except that which is strictly operational.
 - d. Be responsible for recommending dissemination of information outside CIA.
3. To implement these policies, it is recommended:
- a. That the functions and personnel of TBS/SC be transferred to OSI to be integrated into OSI at the discretion of the AD/OSI. OSI will establish a covert technical guidance staff composed of personnel who are mutually acceptable.
 - b. Through this staff, OSI will have:
 - (1) Full responsibility for technical and scientific guidance of the Foreign Branches/OSO.
 - (2) Direct access to OSO Foreign Branches.
 - (3) Access to counterespionage information for exploitation in support of intelligence estimates and evaluations.
 - (4) Adequate and prompt notification of the existence of defectors and opportunity for access to them.
 - (5)
 - c. That OSI be permitted to assign technical advisers, under the administration of the Foreign Branches, to OSO field stations.

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